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**Regular Article****The Fibronectin Type III Domain as a Scaffold for Novel Binding Proteins<sup>\*1, \*2</sup>**Akiko Koide, Charles W. Bailey, Xiaolin Huang and Shohei Koide<sup>f1, f2</sup>

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**Abstract**

The fibronectin type III domain (FN3) is a small autonomous folding unit which occurs in many animal proteins involving in ligand binding. The  $\beta$ -sandwich structure of FN3 closely resembles that of immunoglobulin domains. We have prepared a phage display library of FN3 in which residues in two surface loops were randomized. We have selected mutant FN3s which bind to a test ligand, ubiquitin, with significant affinities, while the wild-type FN3 shows no measurable affinity. A dominant clone was expressed as a soluble protein and its properties were investigated in detail. Heteronuclear NMR characterization revealed that the selected mutant protein retains the global fold of FN3. It also has a modest conformational stability despite mutations at 12 out of 94 residues. These results clearly show the potential of FN3 as a scaffold for engineering novel binding proteins.

**Author Keywords:** molecular recognition; combinatorial libraries; phage display; protein engineering

<sup>\*1</sup> Abbreviations used: BSA, bovine serum albumin; CDR, complementarity determining region; FN3, fibronectin type III domain; GuHCl, guanidine hydrochloride; HSQC,

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